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SUBJECT: DUTCH PLANNING CHIEF COMMENTS ON OECD OUTLOOK FOR
NETHERLANDS

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CENTRAL PLANNING BOARD (CPB) CHIEF WEITENBERG HAS ACKNOWLEDGED
EMERGING TREND POINTED UP IN RECENTLY RELEASED OECD SEMI-ANNUAL
OUTLOOK WHICH PROJECTS THE GROWTH IN DUTCH FOREIGN TRADE FOR
1979 AT NOT MORE THAN THREE PERCENT RATHER THAN 6.5 PERCENT
GROWTH ESTIMATED IN GON'S JUNE 30 ECONOMIC MEMORANDUM (REFTEL).
SINCE EXPORTS ACCOUNT FOR OVER 40 PERCENT OF DUTCH GNP, THE
OECD PROJECTION WOULD REDUCE THE CPB'S PROJECTED GROWTH IN
GNP FOR 1979 BY ABOUT 2 BILLION GULDERS (2.20 GULDERS EQUAL
\$1.00). AS A CONSEQUENCE, WEITENBERG SAID, TAX REVENUES
WOULD ALSO BE LOWERED AND THE BUDGET DEFICIT WOULD GROW BEYOND
THE LEVEL (6.1 PERCENT OF NET NATIONAL PRODUCT) PREVIOUSLY
ANTICIPATED. WHILE HE BELIEVES BUDGET POLICY SHOULD FOCUS ON
LONGER TERM DEVELOPMENTS, HE FINDS THE OECD SHORT TERM
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PROJECTION PERSUASIVE ENOUGH POSSIBLY TO CAUSE SOME
LOWERING OF EXPORT GROWTH FIGURES IN CPB'S MACRO
ECONOMIC OUTLOOK WHICH WILL BE PUBLISHED IN SEPTEMBER
IN SUPPORT OF THE GON'S 1979 BUDGET SUBMISSION TO
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